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C O M M E N C E M E N T





THE PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY,
AND STAFF CONGRATULATE YOU ON THIS VERY SPECIAL DAY.

TODAY'S COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE IS THE CULMINATION OF YOUR
HARD WORK AND INTELLECTUAL EFFORT, WHICH SHOULD BE DULY
NOTED AND PUBLICLY RECOGNIZED. MAY ALL OF YOUR DREAMS AND
WISHES BRING FORTH A PROSPEROUS FUTURE. CONGRATULATIONS!



NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

WELCOME TO THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY OF 2014

FOR THE

COLLEGE OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES

AND

COLLEGE OF NURSING

DON TAFT UNIVERSITY CENTER
FORT LAUDERDALE/DAVIE, FLORIDA

*Saturday, the Twenty-third of August, Two Thousand and Fourteen
One O'clock in the Afternoon*

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

MARSHAL

CANDIDATES FOR DOCTORAL DEGREES

CANDIDATES FOR MASTER'S DEGREES

MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Prelude

*Processional

Crown Imperial Walton

Convening the Commencement Grand Marshal Jacqueline Travisano, M.B.A., CPA
Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Nova Southeastern University

Presiding Officer George L. Hanbury II, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
Nova Southeastern University

*Star Spangled Banner Key/Smith

O! say can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
O! say does that star-spangled banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Introductions Ralph V. Rogers, Ph.D.
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Nova Southeastern University

Welcoming Fred Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D.
Health Professions Division Chancellor

President's Remarks George L. Hanbury II

Conferring of Honorary Degree:
Doctor of Humane Letters George L. Hanbury II

Commencement Address Mario Diaz-Balart
Congressman, State of Florida District 25

Presentation of Candidates

College of Health Care Sciences Stanley Wilson, PT, Ed.D., CEAS
Dean

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College of Nursing.....	Marcella M. Rutherford, Ph.D., M.S.N., M.B.A. Dean
Conferral of Degrees	George L. Hanbury II
Presentation of Oaths	
Audiology Oath.....	Teri Hamill, Ph.D. Professor
Physician Assistant Oath	Kerry L. Whitaker, D.H.Sc., PA-C Department Chair and Program Director
Occupational Therapy Pledge.....	Wendy Stav, Ph.D., OTR/L, SCDCM, FAOTA Department Chair
Closing Remarks.....	George L. Hanbury II
Dismissal of the Commencement.....	Grand Marshal Jacqueline Travisano
*Nova Southeastern University Anthem.....	Cavanaugh

Hail thee, Nova Southeastern!
Bright sun shining new;
Radiant star of our morning,
Ever rising, true;

May thy wisdom serve as our constant guide
and thy love a beacon strong,
as throughout the world we spread thy name
joining voice in grateful song;

Nova Southeastern, Alma Mater,
By thy light imbue,
Service, honor, loyalty,
'til our days are through.

Love thee, Gray and Blue!

*Recessional

La Rejoissance Handel
From Music for the Royal Fireworks

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CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

COLLEGE OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES

Presented by Stanley Wilson

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Arjanae L. Gay	Farmville, North Carolina	Annie Patricia Rodriguez*	Tampa, Florida
Natasha Gidak ...	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada	Diana Marie Russell**	Walpole, Massachusetts
Michael J. Hammerbacher	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	Leonor Maria Sink	Tampa, Florida
Erin Nichole Hattey*	Fort Worth, Texas	Lauren Solliday**	Seaford, New York
Deanna Michelle Katanic	Boca Raton, Florida	Alexandra Nicole Soltis*	Concord, North Carolina
Brianna Kuzbyt**	Miami, Florida	Ania Malgorzata Tomasik** ...	West Palm Beach, Florida

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Lorraine Marie Lucas-Lewis** ...	Cardiff, United Kingdom		

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MARIO DIAZ-BALART

Congressman, State of Florida District 25

Mario Diaz-Balart is fulfilling his sixth term in the U.S. House of Representatives. He serves on the House Committee on Appropriations and is the cofounder and chair of the Congressional Hispanic Conference. In 2002, Diaz-Balart began his tenure in Congress representing Florida's 25th Congressional district. He was elected to Florida's 21st Congressional district in 2010 and to the newly redrawn 25th Congressional district in 2012. His legislation sponsorship indicates his continued support for lowering taxes for families and small businesses. He is also a strong proponent of improving public safety and transportation and hurricane preparedness and relief, as well as restoring the Everglades.

Prior to his time in the U.S. House of Representatives, Diaz-Balart served 14 years in the Florida state legislature. Mario Diaz-Balart was born on September 25, 1961, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He studied at the University of South Florida. He currently resides in Miami, Florida, with his wife and son.

AUDIOLOGY OATH

As a Doctor of Audiology, I pledge to practice the art and science of my profession to the best of my ability and to be ethical in conduct.

I will respect and honor my teachers and also those who forged the path I freely follow.

According to their example, I will continue to expand my knowledge and improve my skills.

I will collaborate with my fellow audiologists and other professionals for the benefit of our patients.

I will, to the best of my ability and judgment, evaluate, manage, and treat my patients.

I will willingly do no harm, but rather always strive to provide care according to the standards of the profession.

I will act to the benefit of those needing care, striving to see that none go untreated.

I will practice when competent to do so, and refer all others to practitioners capable of providing care in keeping with this oath.

I will aspire to personal and professional conduct free from corruption.

I will keep in confidence all information made known to me about my patients.

As a Doctor of Audiology, I agree to be held accountable for any violation of this oath and the ethics of the profession.

While I keep this oath unviolated, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the art and science of audiology, respected by all persons, in all times.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OATH

I pledge to perform the following duties with honesty and dedication:

I will hold as my primary responsibility the health, safety, welfare, and dignity of all human beings.

I will uphold the tenets of patient autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, and justice.

I will recognize and promote the value of diversity.

I will treat equally all persons who seek my care.

I will hold in confidence the information shared in the course of practicing medicine.

I will assess my personal capabilities and limitations, striving always to improve my medical practice.

I will actively seek to expand my knowledge and skills, keeping abreast of advances in medicine.

I will work with other members of the health care team to provide compassionate and effective care of patients.

I will use my knowledge and experience to contribute to an improved community.

I will respect my professional relationship with the physician.

I will share and expand knowledge within the profession.

These duties are pledged with sincerity and upon my honor.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PLEDGE

I hereby pledge to:

Hold my knowledge in trust for the good of those whom I serve;

Endeavor to keep both the profession and the occupational needs of the clients and communities I serve foremost in my thoughts and actions;

Deliver occupational therapy services that demonstrate excellence at all levels of care while valuing and honoring diversity and respecting others as equals;

Advocate for needed services and the rights of clients, regardless of the constraints I may face;

Strive to always act in a manner that is consistent with the philosophical base and values of the profession by upholding the occupational therapy Code of Ethics, abiding with those in need of care, even in the face of personal risk, and upholding the dignity of all human beings, regardless of their condition; and

Model and foster leadership and facilitate spiritual, personal, and professional growth for myself, my profession, and in others.

UNIVERSITY VISION, MISSION, AND CORE VALUES

VISION 2020 STATEMENT

By 2020, through excellence and innovations in teaching, research, service, and learning, Nova Southeastern University will be recognized by accrediting agencies, the academic community, and the general public as a premier, private, not-for-profit university of quality and distinction that engages all students and produces alumni who serve with integrity in their lives, fields of study, and resulting careers.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Nova Southeastern University, a private, not-for-profit institution, is to offer a diverse array of innovative academic programs that complement on-campus educational opportunities and resources with accessible, distance-learning programs to foster academic excellence, intellectual inquiry, leadership, research, and commitment to community through engagement of students and faculty members in a dynamic, lifelong learning environment.

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Nova Southeastern University Anthem

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ACADEMIC ATTIRE

Ceremonial garments worn at academic functions take their meaning from the original centers of learning of the western world in the church of the Middle Ages. Caps, hoods, and gowns of the early students and monks have been held through the centuries to be traditionally symbolic of the scholarly devotion so basic to education and to the deliberate and orderly evolution of knowledge.

The introduction of classical studies, the gradual rise of the great universities across Europe, and the ever-increasing awareness of the decisive role of education in the entire development of civilization influenced leaders among academicians in their desire for a singular identity. In the attempt to create this differentiation, educators fell upon the medieval system of classic heraldry, whereby the coat of arms, assorted ornamental trappings, and patterns of colorful design had been adopted to denote the distinctive character of designated chivalric orders. The function of a pedagogical heraldry became, then, simply identification. As such, measures were taken to signify through distinctive markings on the academicians' attire the institution that had granted the degree, the field of learning in which the degree had been earned, and the level of the degree, e.g., bachelor's, master's, or doctorate.

Of the three pieces of academic attire—the cap, the gown, and the hood—it is the hood that offers the most abundant and most readily discernable information about its owner. The inner lining of the hood identifies the institution at which the individual earned the degree. Some schools have adopted two-color patterns and introduced chevrons and bars in various designs to set themselves apart from other institutions. The velvet trim bordering the hood indicates the major field of learning, or faculty, in which the degree has been earned. The list at the conclusion of this section will explain this relationship. A final feature of the hood concerns its length and width and distinguishes further between holders of bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. The length of the hood for the bachelor's degree is three feet, closed at the bottom, and with a velvet border of two inches. At Nova Southeastern University, however, individuals receiving a bachelor's degree do not wear a hood. A master's degree holder has a hood three and one-half feet in length with a three-inch wide border, and the hood is slit at the bottom. Individuals receiving doctoral degrees wear hoods four feet in length, open at the bottom, with five-inch borders.

The cut of the gown aids in differentiating between the three levels of degrees. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple and falls in straight lines from an elaborate yoke. It may be recognized most readily by the long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown is somewhat fuller and bears no adornment. The sleeves are oblong in shape and open at the wrist, with the rear part of the oblong square cut while the front edge has a cutaway arc. The doctor's gown is more elaborate, with velvet panels down the front and around the neck of the garment. The sleeves are bell-shaped at the end and have three bars of the same material as the front panels at the upper portion of the arm. It is cut rather fully and may be ornamental in color.

The mortarboard or Oxford-type cap has been adopted throughout most universities in the United States, although tams have become increasingly fashionable to denote holders of the doctoral degree. Colored tassels are usually worn by holders of the bachelor's and master's degrees. These denote the field of learning.

The color, indeed the flamboyance, of academic dress undoubtedly adds to the sense of occasion at academic ceremonies. But as its historical roots show, it has a much deeper significance. It is an outward sign of the universality of universities, and of their responsibility for certain timeless values essential to the freedom of inquiry: tolerance of alternative views and courage in maintaining one's own tirelessness in the pursuit of truth and the free exchange of knowledge. Its wearing marks also the responsibility of the new graduate to maintain and uphold these ideals. These fundamentals of academic freedom have not been threatened in this country for more than 200 years, but the importance attached to the donning of traditional academic

dress was underlined in recent years by scholars from Central and Eastern Europe; during the Cold War, their use of academic robes became a symbol of their refusal to be dominated completely by political forces and the state, and symbolized their persistent links to the worldwide community of scholars. Thus, the wearing of academic dress should be seen not simply as a sign of achievement, but as a symbol of the responsibility that falls on all members of universities.

HONORS

Students wear cords, pins, sashes, and medallions that reflect institutional and national academic honors as well as campus leadership, service, and engagement.

PROCESSIONAL BANNERS (GONFALONS)

The gonfalon, a banner that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an ensign of state or office. Gonfalons have been adopted in many universities around the world as college or institutional insignias, and many use them to identify and lead colleges and schools within the university in academic procession. The gonfalons represent the university and the various academic divisions of Nova Southeastern University.

The lower half of the gonfalon consists of the university insignia in various permutations. On the upper half is the name of a particular academic division of the university, along with a diagonal stripe in the color of that division's principal discipline.

ARTS, LETTERS, HUMANITIES	White	OPTOMETRY	Sea Foam Green
ACCOUNTANCY, BUSINESS	Drab	ORATORY (SPEECH)	Silver Gray
DENTISTRY	Lilac	PHARMACY	Olive Green
ECONOMICS	Copper	PHILOSOPHY	Dark Blue
EDUCATION	Light Blue	PODIATRIC MEDICINE	Nile Green
ENGINEERING	Orange	PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN SERVICES, AND	
FINE ARTS	Brown	CRIMINAL JUSTICE	Peacock Blue
LAW	Purple	PUBLIC HEALTH	Salmon Pink
MEDICINE	Green	SCIENCE	Golden Yellow
MUSIC	Pink	SOCIAL SCIENCE	Cream
NURSING	Apricot		

MACE

During the Middle Ages, the mace was an effective weapon in battle and also was displayed as a symbol to command order during royal gatherings, religious ceremonies, and university classes. As newer and more powerful military arms were created, however, the mace progressed into a symbol of authority and today is frequently used to lead religious and academic processions.

The mace was originally a wooden staff carried by royal messengers as a symbol to preserve order and usher royal functions. The early wooden staff of such royal messengers or lead ushers of ceremonial processions was transformed in the 14th century into an elaborate sterling silver mace. Eventually, in the 15th century, it evolved into a symbol of academic excellence and dignity.

THE NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY MACE



Before its merger in 1994 with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences, Nova University's mace bore a sterling silver "nova star" symbolizing the university's name and mission. Symbolically, Nova University's "nova star" burned brightly, providing educational enlightenment to the world. Today, a new sterling silver mace highlights the past, present, and future through the inclusion of the original "nova star" representing the university's past, surrounding the NSU seal. The mace is displayed in the rotunda of the William and Norma Horvitz Administration Building.

In Latin, *nova* means new or innovative. Nova Southeastern University was created to be an innovative educational institution—to take the best of traditional education from the past and mold it to fit the needs of students for today and tomorrow.



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